In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-8 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Claims 1-8 (Canceled).

Please add the following new claims:

- 9. (New) A method for operating a push-to-talk communication between a
- 2 Push-to-Talk communication system (PoC) group comprising at least one member of a first communication network, and a PoC group comprising at least one member of a
- 4 second communication network operated by a second network operator, using a PoC application server in each communication network, the method comprising:
- 6 connecting the members of the PoC-group of the first network operator with the members of the PoC-group of the second network operator;
- 8 connecting the members of the PoC-group of the first network operator from the side of the second network operator;
- connecting the members of the PoC- group of the second network operator from the side of the first network operator; and
- synchronizing the PoC application servers.
- 10. (New) A method for push-to-talk communication between the members of
 an existing push-to-talk communication session within a first communication network
 operated by a first network operator, and a group of an additional communication network

- 4 operated by a second network operator, using a Push-to-Talk over a communication system (PoC) application server in each communication network, the method comprising:
- connecting the additional group to each of the existing groups of the session:
 synchronizing the PoC application server of the additional group to the previously
- 8 synchronized PoC application servers; and

identifying the PoC application server of the additional group by an address

derived from the group address.

- 11. (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according
 2 to claim 1, wherein the synchronization is carried out automatically by the PoC application servers.
- 12. (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according
 2 to claim 2, wherein the synchronization is carried out automatically by the PoC application servers.
- 13. (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according to claim 1, wherein the synchronization is carried out whenever a user requests update of all group members of the PoC groups before sending a PoC message.

- 14. (New) The method for operating a push-to-talk communication according
 2 to claim 2, wherein the synchronization is carried out whenever a user requests update of all group members of the PoC groups before sending a PoC message.
- 15. (New) A system for push-to-talk communication between push-to-talk
- 2 groups of at least two communication networks, the system comprising:

one common group management system; and

- 4 at least one subsystem for each network operator consisting of at least one pushto-talk communication application server.
- 16. (New) The system according to claim 15, wherein the communication
- 2 networks are radio communication networks.